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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4417**  
Masahiro UEKAWA et al. : Docket No. 2001-1018A  
Serial No. 09/918,829 : Group Art Unit 2839  
Filed August 1, 2001 : Examiner Jean F. Duverne

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated January 6, 2004 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 17-26, 28, 29 and 31-36.

- ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
- ☒ The extension fee of \$950.00 for a three month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☒ The Appeal Fee of ☒ \$330.00 (other than Small Entity)  
☐ \$165.00 (Small Entity)
- ☒ is enclosed
- ☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. The original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- ☐ Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
- ☐ is enclosed.

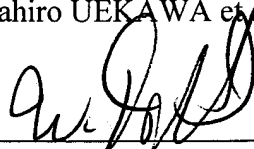
() has been previously submitted.

() The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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